

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A method of rapidly sending large volumes of information to one or more personal computers from a database containing information. A personal computer is connected to the database via a first communication network, such as the Internet, to a server connected with the database to allow a user to request information. A second communication network, such as a DAB radio network, transmits requested information from the server at high speed to a receiver unit in the possession of the user. A proxy server between the personal computer and the server selectively either forwards collected information for transmission to the receiver unit via the digital radio network, to allow information received in the receiver unit to be transferred to the personal computer, or, alternatively, to allow the direct transfer of information between the server and the personal computer.